

## PROCLAMATION

## **DESIGNATING MAY 2021 AS SMALL BUSINESS APPRECIATION MONTH**

WHEREAS, Abingdon businesses play essential roles in strengthening our community through their innovation, creation, expansion, and employing a workforce that preserves the economic well-being and quality of life for all our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Abingdon businesses operate in diverse industries, including manufacturing, services, retail, tourism, agribusiness, and information technology; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Abingdon is pleased to recognize the accomplishments of our existing business; entrepreneurs; small, minority, and women-owned businesses; and the major employers that contribute significantly to the economic recovery of our region; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to offer the citizens of our community a unique opportunity to recognize Abingdon businesses for the essential role they play in driving the new and diverse economy;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, I acknowledge the importance of businesses and the numerous contributions they make in our community; recognize May 2021 as SMALL BUSINESS APPRECIATION MONTH in the TOWN OF ABINGDON.

TOWN OF ABINGDON, VIRGINIA

Derek Webb, Mayor